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Letter from John Muir to Strentzel [Family], 1878 Sep 11.

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Hamilton Nevada.

Sep. 11th 1888.

Dear Strunzels.

All goes well in camp some
that box of grapes you so kindly sent. I telegraphed
for it on arriving at this place to be sent
by Wells Fargo but it has not come
I am here tomorrow. We had hoped to
have him in Eureka by the middle of last month
but the unknown factors so abundant in our
work have pushed us so far southward we
will not now be likely to go there at all.

Nevertheless I have enjoyed your kindness
even in this last grape expression of it
but you must not try to send any more
because we will not again be within
grape range of railroads until on our
way home in Oct or November. There
should there being left I will manifest for
my own good & the edification of civilization
a frank capacity & fervor to be found
only in Savage Camps.

Since our Lone Mountain experience we have
not been thirsty. Our canoe since his first

Hamilton Nevada.

Sep. 11th 1888.

Dear Strutzels.

All goes well in camp now. That box of grapes you so kindly sent. I telegraphed for it on arriving at this place to be sent by Wells Fargo but it has not come & we leave here tomorrow. We had hoped to have been in Eureka by the middle of last month but the unknown factors so abundant in our work have pushed us so far southward we will not now be likely to go there at all.

Nevertheless I have enjoyed your kindness even in this last grape expression of it but you must not try to send any more because we will not again be within grape range of railroads until on our way home in Oct or November. Then should there be any left I will manifest for my own good & the edification of civilization a further capacity & fervor to be found only in Savage Camps.

Since our Lone Mountain experience we have not been thirsty. Our canoe here has first